

**Regular Meeting of the  
Board of Mayor and Council  
City of McKenzie  
McKenzie, TN**

**September 13, 2007**

- a. **Call to Order** – Mayor Walter Winchester
- b. **Opening Prayer** – Councilperson Allen
- c. **Roll Call** – Councilperson Hale absent

Mayor Winchester  
Councilperson Hale  
Councilperson Davis  
Councilperson Ramey  
Councilperson Allen  
Councilperson Holland  
Councilperson Adkins

- d. **Mayor’s Welcome**

Mayor Winchester welcomed everyone to the council meeting.

- e. **Approval of Minutes**

Motion made by Councilperson Holland, seconded by Councilperson Allen, to approve the minutes as presented. The motion passed.

- f. **Financial Matters**

1. Bills:	<u>Vendor(s)</u>	<u>Amount</u>
	B & E Electronics, Inc. (Labor & Parts to fix EMS radios)	\$2,992.90

Motion made by Councilperson Davis, seconded by Councilperson Adkins, to approve the B & E Electronic, Inc bill. The motion passed.

- g. **Old Business**

None

- h. **New Business**

**1. 1<sup>st</sup> Reading on Ordinance # 422 (An ordinance regulating the use of engine compression braking devices)**

**Discussion:**

Mayor Winchester explained to the council that he contacted MTAS and they sent him a sample ordinance to help write our ordinance. This ordinance will allow the police to do an inspection on a truck's muffler system to make sure they are legal.

Councilperson Holland wanted to know if signs would be posted along Hwy 22 & Hwy 79 in different places to let the truckers know that jake brakes would be inspected for illegal use and the Mayor answered yes.

Councilperson Adkins stated she had received a lot of complaints about truckers using jake brakes at different times of the day and night.

Councilperson Davis wanted to know if there were other means of educating the truckers about the use of jake brakes. Mayor Winchester told the council he would contact Mars, Inc. and have them to tell the truckers that do business with them about the new ordinance once the ordinance has been approved. Also he would provide them with the ordinance.

City Attorney Kent Jones suggested that the words jake brakes should be placed somewhere in the ordinance so that truckers would know what this ordinance was pertaining to.

**Action Taken:**

Motion was made by Councilperson Adkins, seconded by Councilperson Holland, to pass on 1<sup>st</sup> reading of Ordinance # 422 regulating the use of engine compression braking devices and also insert the words "a/k/a Jake Brakes" in the ordinance to be used as a reference.

Motion is by role call vote:

Councilperson Hale	<u>A</u>	Councilperson Allen	<u>Y</u>
Councilperson Davis	<u>Y</u>	Councilperson Holland	<u>Y</u>
Councilperson Ramey	<u>Y</u>	Councilperson Adkins	<u>Y</u>

Votes were as follows: Ayes – 5, Nays – 0, Abstain – 0, Absent – 1.  
The motion passed.

**i. Citizens Input**

None

**j. Council Discussion/Reports**

Councilperson Adkins gave the monthly fire report with 129 calls to date. She also wanted to know if the Verizon Tower working and the Mayor said they were still working on it and it should be operational shortly. She wanted to know if the council could do anything about controlling the use of skate boards.

Councilperson Holland suggested maybe after 5:00 pm the kids could use the parking lot at city hall or maybe blocking off a street down by the depot. She also suggested portable ramps that could be moved from place to place.

City Attorney Kent Jones stated the liability would not be an issue if the council stated that the area designated as a skate board area is posted as an unsupervised area rather than supervised area.

Mayor Winchester suggested this be a working session issue.

Councilperson Holland said the Park and Recreation Board met last night and asked that the different sports publish when they were going to have their election of officers for their board.

**k. Any Other Business**

Councilperson Adkins scheduled a beer board meeting for the 27<sup>th</sup> of September following the council meeting.

Mayor Winchester advised the council the city received notice today the city would be awarded a transportation enhancement grant. It is called the Webb School – Walnut Avenue Connector. It starts at the depot, goes over to Walnut Avenue, down Park Street then through Mulberry Park to Mulberry Street and then back to Walnut Avenue.

Mayor Winchester also acknowledged the death of Chief Cooper's son and publicly gives belated sympathy to the Cooper family.

**l. Adjournment**

With no further business, motion was made by Councilperson Davis, seconded by Councilperson Ramey, to adjourn. The motion passed.

**APPROVED:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Walter Winchester, Mayor**

**ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Charlie Beal, CMC**  
**City Recorder**